

Rail Shipments

Rail Waybill Data, 1988-1992

Abstract

This database contains public-use, aggregate, non-confidential rail shipment data such as origin and destination points, type of commodity, number of cars, tons, revenue, length of haul, participating railroads, and interchange locations. The data are based on the Carload Waybill Sample, which is a proprietary sample of freight waybills that were submitted to the Interstate Commerce Commission (now the Surface Transportation Board) by Class I Railroads.

Source of Data

Class I Railroads.

Attributes

Geographic Coverage of Data: U.S. Class I Railroads
Time Span of Data Source: 1988-1992
First Developed: 1994
Media: CD-ROM

Sponsoring Organization

U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics

Availability

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Rail Shipments From and To Rhode Island, 1994*

Originated within Rhode Island: major commodities shipped by rail, ranked by weight		
Commodity	Tonnage	Percent of state total
Waste and scrap	17,400	47
Food products	15,900	43
Chemicals	3,840	10

Terminated within Rhode Island: major commodities shipped by rail, ranked by weight		
Commodity	Tonnage	Percent of state total
Chemicals	219,800	43
Food products	121,700	24
Waste and scrap	57,600	11
Lumber or wood products	39,900	8
Pulp and paper	36,200	7

*The five largest (by tonnage terminated and originated) of the 36 two-digit Standard Transportation Commodity Code groupings, and the percentage that commodity represents of all tonnage handled within the state.

SOURCE: Rail Waybill Data, compiled by the DOT Surface Transportation Board (formerly part of the Interstate Commerce Commission) and the DOT Federal Railroad Administration (Washington, DC: 1996).